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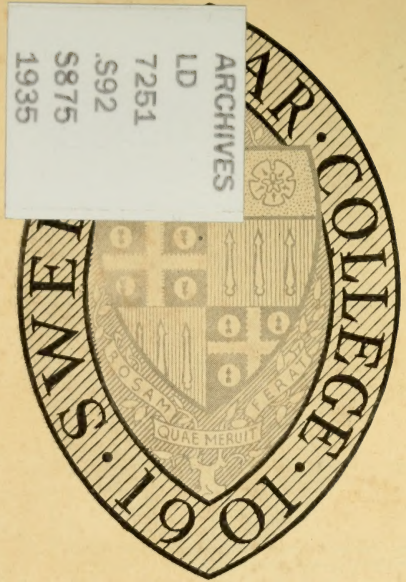

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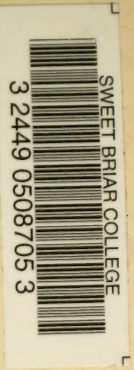

"THE CABIN"

THE ALUMNAE OFFICE

SWEET BRIAR TODAY

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ENTRANCE GATES

FACTS ABOUT SWEET BRIAR

Sweet Briar is confining itself to liberal arts education and is giving only the A.B. degree.

The campus is still 3,000 acres and the Blue Ridge Mountains have not moved.

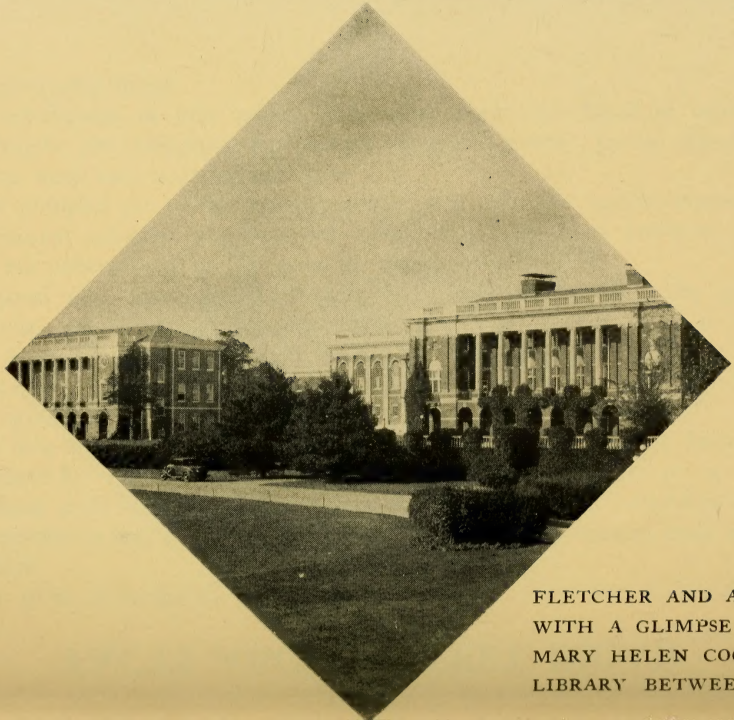
Improved train service puts us, via the Southern Railroad, overnight from New York, Pittsburgh, and Atlanta. The north and south highway, U. S. 29, passes the gates and Route 60, the new scenic highway east and west passes through Amherst three miles from the campus.

There is a Western Union on campus and twenty-four-hour telephone and telegraph service is maintained.

Although Sweet Briar plans always to remain a small college it still draws students from the entire country. This year thirty-eight states and five foreign countries are represented in the Student Body.

The annual expenses are now one thousand dollars: four hundred dollars for tuition, six hundred for room, board, laundry, infirmary fee, library, concert, lecture and church dues and physical education.

The college has established scholarships of various kinds. Honor scholarships are given in recognition of high merit, other scholarships are given in recognition of financial need and merit.



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These include Competitive Freshman scholarships, Honor scholarships, Amherst County scholarships and General College scholarships. In this last group the Manson Memorial Scholarship, given annually by the Alumnae Association, is considered the highest honor.

The Students' Bookshop maintains a loan fund.

Opportunities for self help exist in connection with the various departments, the library, bookshop and alumnae office (mimeographing, typing, reading papers, clerical work), and as waitresses in the Refectory and Boxwood Inn. Certain firms in Lynchburg also employ student agents on a commission basis through the Dean's Office. Thirty-three and one-third percent of the present student body is receiving financial aid through one of the above channels.

FACULTY AND INSTRUCTION

The faculty now numbers 49 members, 15 professors, 8 associate professors, 12 assistant professors and 14 instructors. There are 14 departments of instruction in 12 of which a student may elect her major subject. Emphasis is being thrown in all teaching plans on the student's individual effort and correlation of subject matter. Special outcomes of these emphases are Reading for Departmental Honors and Interdepartmental majors. Faculty members are serving on important committees of their respective learned societies and contributing to their programs.

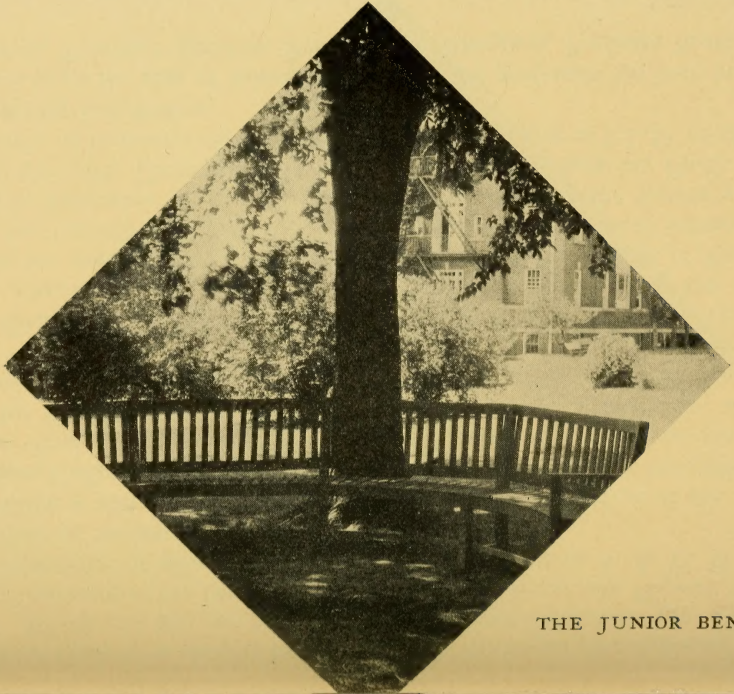
THE GOLDEN STAIRS
SACRED TO THE SENIORS

President Glass is at present President of the American Association of University Women. Within the last two years she has represented the American Association at the Council meeting of the International Federation of University Women in Budapest and at a conference of officers in London. She has spoken to A. A. U. W. groups in nineteen cities in various sections of the country.

Miss Glass is also an active member and former vice-president of the Association of American Colleges and is at present serving on the following committees: Commission on Academic Freedom and Academic Tenure, Committee on the American Institute for Endowments and the Commission on College Architecture and College Instruction in Fine Arts. She recently attended a meeting of the Association in Atlanta.

Miss Glass is usually the representative of Sweet Briar at the meetings of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools which is the accrediting agency for the south. She is a former president of the Association of Virginia Colleges and has recently been re-elected vice-president of the National Advisory Council on Radio in Education. In 1929 Miss Glass was awarded the honorary degree of Litt.D. by Columbia University from which institution she took her Ph.D. In 1934 the University of Delaware awarded her the honorary degree of LL.D. on the occasion of its Centenary Celebration.

For five years the plan of Sabbatical leave for full professors has been in operation. Dean Dutton, Professor Sparrow, Professor Worthington, Professor Scott, Professor



THE JUNIOR BENCH

Connor, Professor Morenus and Professor Ames have enjoyed such leaves. Professor Morenus is this year in Australia and Professor Ames in Hawaii.

REVISED ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

The foreign language requirement for admission to Sweet Briar College in 1936 and thereafter has been changed. The new requirement is foreign languages, four or five units: Latin, four units, or two foreign languages, preferably including Latin, five units. Any combination must provide for at least three units of one language and two of another. The foreign languages offered may be Greek, Latin, German, French, Italian or Spanish. Other requirements as listed on pages 40 and 41 of the catalogue for 1934-1935 remain unchanged with the exception of the addition of Italian to the elective units.

Applicants for admission in 1935 will be accepted either under the old requirements as stated in the catalogue for 1934-1935 or under the new requirements as stated above.

CHANGES IN CURRICULUM

The Bachelor of Science degree has been discontinued for students entering in 1936 and thereafter, and for such students of previous years as desire and are able to adjust their courses to the new requirements.

The alternative of six hours of Latin or six hours of mathematics in the freshman year is no longer required; but students who do not take six hours of Greek or Latin in college must take the course in Greek and Roman Civilization before graduation.

THE SOPHOMORE WALL

Six hours of a modern language are no longer prescribed in the freshman year, but the foreign language reading knowledge requirement is retained.

The college now offers a major in Music composed of thirty-six hours, thirty of which are in the department and six in allied subjects or within the department.

The Library now contains 38,000 volumes and has 2,500 pictures and prints.

More and more Sweet Briar alumnae are doing graduate work and nine of last year's senior class won graduate scholarships and fellowships given by the following institutions: Bryn Mawr, Cornell, Smith, University of North Carolina, University of Cincinnati, Washington University, Western Reserve and two from Columbia.

Sweet Briar offers opportunity to juniors to study in French or German Universities under the University of Delaware Foreign Study Plan or at St. Andrews University in Scotland under a special arrangement between Sweet Briar and St. Andrews.

In the last three years Sweet Briar has instituted a system of reading for honors in the junior and senior years which allows a student opportunity for much independent study and greater concentration in her chosen field. An Honor Student takes comprehensive examinations on the work of the two years, both written and oral in which an outside professor assists.

Service is held regularly on Sunday with noted preachers as visitors and there are three Chapel services during the week. Attendance is voluntary.

CARL GRAMMER
AND FERGUS REID
FRESHMEN DORMITORIES

THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Alumnae Association maintains a resident secretary.

In recognition of the dependence of the college upon its alumnae, last year for the first time the Alumnae Association was given representation upon the Board of Overseers. Elizabeth Franke Balls, '13, was elected to serve six years and Martha Lee Williamson, '25, was elected for a period of three years.

We are proud of the fact that it is the only association in the south, and one of the few in the country, which is entirely self-supporting.

We have seventy-two organized Alumnae Clubs in thirty states. These Clubs annually contribute a large part of the budget of the association. Recently a Members' Mart has been inaugurated for use of the Clubs.

During the last ten or fifteen years Alumni Funds have been established in all the leading colleges of the country. Two years ago Sweet Briar started its Fund thereby completing the physical set-up for parity with these associations. The Fund carries its share of the financing of the Association, and gives an annual gift to the college.

The Alumnae Association publishes the *Alumnae News*, a quarterly magazine, which was rated "Excellent" in Editorial content, feature articles, treatment of general campus news and make-up by the Committee on Magazines of the American Alumni Council.

Our Alumnae Secretary, Vivienne Barkalow Breckenridge, has recently been elected a Trustee of the American Alumni Council upon her retirement as Director of District III of the Council.

THE MONUMENT
TO
DAISY WILLIAMS

COMMUNITY LIFE

The students maintain many organizations and extra curricular activities which are very generally participated in. Student Government Association remains the leading organization on the campus.

Approximately half the student body is taking part in activities of the Y. W. C. A. this year, which include relief work in Amherst County, the Indian Mission, recreation work at three colored schools, travelling libraries sent to schools of Amherst County, community work in connection with employees and several new committees working in the county in connection with FERA.

Paint and Patches is still the college Dramatic Association. This year it has given three productions under the direction of Mr. Cameron King, a graduate of the department of Drama of Yale University, who is giving courses in Fundamentals of Speech and History of the Drama and next year will add a course in Play Writing. Fletcher Auditorium is now being used as a Little Theatre for Paint and Patches productions. The stage was enlarged during the summer and adequate stage lighting was installed.

Other student organizations include Glee Club, International Relations Club and a number of departmental clubs.

Students gain a knowledge of affairs of the day through a current events discussion group held once a week in Fergus Reid Parlors.

Student-faculty relations are furthered by professors' "At Homes," faculty athletic teams, and Friday night coffee in Fergus Reid Parlors under the auspices of Y. W. C. A.

There is a moving picture every Saturday night followed by an informal dance in Fergus Reid Hall.

Two formal dances are given each year at Mid-winters and May Day.

The social life of the students is under the direction of a student committee composed of twelve seniors.

LACROSSE

HOCKEY

SPORTS AT SWEET BRIAR

Hockey—Outstanding college team in the south. Students form over twenty teams that play on campus every fall.

Basketball—More than a dozen teams of the students play each year in the Daisy Williams Gymnasium which has one of the best courts in the south.

Lacrosse—Revived in 1928 with six teams playing each fall. We were the only college in the south visited by the English Touring Lacrosse Team.

Tennis—Two En-Tout-Cas courts and four clay courts.

Archery—For eleven years a popular sport. Our 467 Columbia Round compares favorably with scores of national tournaments.

Baseball—A diamond in the rough.

Field and Track—Appeals to a small but enthusiastic group. Interclass matches feature both.

Swimming and Boating—The Lake still proves a popular place not only for sun tan but for classes in boating and canoeing in the spring. Lake Day provides competition for classes in this sport as well as swimming.

Riding—The picturesque sport of Sweet Briar. An excellent stable, good horses, some raised on the Sweet Briar farm, drag and live fox hunts, moonlight rides, regular instruction in riding, our own Horse Show as well as local shows, and unexcelled trails on our property for afternoon rides.

Dancing—In the last two years the number of students taking dancing has jumped from forty to over a hundred. The Dance Group not only does interesting work but sponsors a Dance Recital under the able direction of Nora Staael.

Hiking—Organized trips to the Peaks of Otter and High Peak. Hiking leaders sponsor regular hikes.

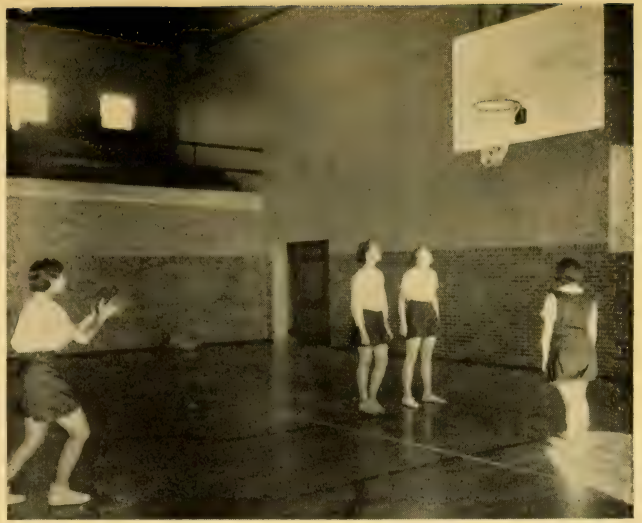
Squash Racquets—An unusual equipment in a southern college. Increasingly popular for cold weather.

Badminton—For six years it has been a popular sport with the students and faculty.

Deck Tennis, Roller Skating and Ping Pong appeal not only to the athlete but to the community and the "dates."

The Gym serves as a life saver for long staying "dates."

MAY DAY HORSE SHOW



BASKETBALL IN THE DAISY WILLIAMS GYMNASIUM

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TENNIS

BASEBALL

SWIMMING AND BOATING

THE DANCE GROUP

CHOIR AND GLEE CLUB

The Choir and Glee Club are large and enthusiastic organizations with high ideals of performance and of the types of music sung. The Choir sings at the regular Sunday services and at special musical services given at Christmas, Easter and Baccalaureate Sunday. Election to the Choir is regarded as a distinction. The Glee Club holds joint concerts with the Glee Clubs of the University of Virginia and Washington and Lee each year.

The Choir, Glee Club and Senior Class continue the old custom of singing Christmas carols the night before the Christmas vacation begins.

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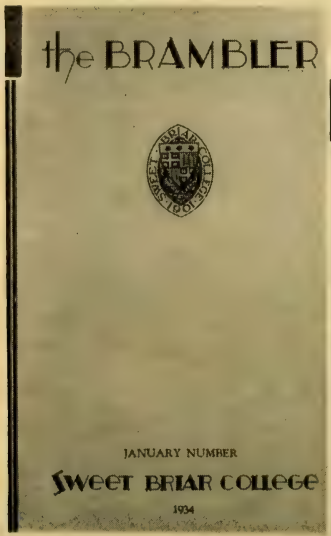

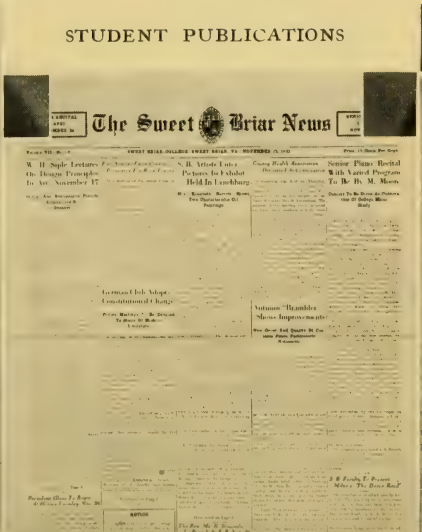
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S. B. Artists Enter Pictures To Exhibit Held In Lynchburg
Senior Piano Recital With Varied Program To Be Fr. M. Moore
German Club Adopts Constitutional Change
Virtuous "Bramble" Shows Improvements

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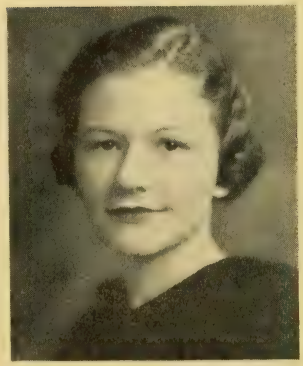

JACQUELINE STRICKLAND

If you were a student at Sweet Briar today, you would immediately recognize the senior whose picture appears on this page, because she is none other than Jacquelyn Strickland, who has been an outstanding member of the student body during her four years at Sweet Briar.

President of her class freshman year, Jackie is now vice-president of Student Government and chairman of the Social Committee, after having served as house president of Randolph her sophomore year and of Grammer her junior year. Tau Phi elected her to membership at the beginning of her junior year, and that same year she served as secretary of the Glee Club, to which she has belonged since she was a freshman. Because she is capable, she was made photographic editor of the *Briar Patch;* her interests also brought her memberships in the English and Spanish clubs.

But since you are an alumna, you will be chiefly interested in knowing that Jackie is the winner of this year's Manson Memorial Alumnae Scholarship. In addition to all her outside activities, she has maintained a high scholastic rating every year, and has in every way shown herself worthy of receiving this scholarship.

THE ALUMNAE FUND

The Alumnae Fund was established in June, 1933, as "A financial channel through which every graduate and non-graduate can express her loyalty to the college and her belief in its future."

A contribution to the Fund provides assistance in the running expenses of the Association, a part in the scholarship it gives annually to an outstanding girl in one of the upper classes in memory of Mr. Manson, a subscription to the *Alumnae News* and a donation to the college, the last to be used for endowment, scholarships or whatever seems to be most needed at the moment.

Only contributors to the Fund receive the *Alumnae News*, except for the October issue, and they are the only alumnae privileged to vote.

A successfully operated alumnae fund will create for our college a substantial source of income of inestimable value, not only because of the money involved, but because it constitutes a pledge of the continued interest and support of its alumnae.

PUT US IN YOUR BUDGET AND LET US GROW AS IT GROWS!

THE TEA SET

SWEET BRIAR CHINA

IN

Staffordshire Blue, Old Mulberry and Veridian Green

	DOZEN
Dinner Service plates	$16.00
Tea plates	11.00
Bread and butter plates	8.50
Tea cups and saucers	12.00
After dinner coffee cups and saucers	11.50
Tea pot (six cup)	4.00
Hot water jug	4.00

THE SERVICE PLATE

Cream pitcher	2.25
Sugar bowl	3.25
Square cake plate	2.50
Platter (fourteen inch)	3.50
Open vegetable dish	2.25

THE COFFEE CUP

BOOKSHOP
BUILDING

To the Sweet Briar Alumnae Fund

SWEET BRIAR, VIRGINIA

As my contribution to The Alumnae Fund for 1934-1935:

☐ I enclose check for the amount I have indicated

☐ I will give amount indicated on or before May 1, 1935

Name ..... Class .....

Address .....

Contributions to the Sweet Briar Alumnae Fund constitute a proper deduction under the U. S. Income Tax Law.

Make Checks Payable to THE SWEET BRIAR ALUMNAE FUND

Please send checks to the Alumnae Office

Sweet Briar, Virginia

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	$ 50.00
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	$ 10.00
	$ 5.00
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